CLAIMS

[Claim 1] An MIS-type field-effect transistor characterized in comprising:

- a base layer;
- 5 a strained active semiconductor layer formed on said base layer;
 - a gate insulating film formed on said active semiconductor layer;
- a gate electrode formed on said gate insulating film; and
 a source/drain region formed in portions on both sides of
 said gate electrode inside said active semiconductor layer;
 wherein

an interface between said base layer and said active semiconductor layer is at a depth of $2T_p$ or less from the surface, where T_p is the depth of maximum concentration of an impurity introduced for forming said source/drain region. [Claim 2] An MIS-type field-effect transistor characterized in comprising:

a base layer;

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- a strained active semiconductor layer formed on said base layer;
 - a gate insulating film formed on said active semiconductor layer;
- a gate electrode formed on said gate insulating film;

 25 a source/drain region formed in portions on both sides of said gate electrode inside said active semiconductor layer;

 and
 - a gate side wall formed on the lateral face of said gate

electrode; wherein

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a portion under said gate side wall and said gate electrode of said active semiconductor layer has a greater film thickness than any other portion; and

an interface between said base layer and said active semiconductor layer is at a depth of $2T_p$ or less from the surface of a region disposed other than under said gate side wall and said gate electrode of said active semiconductor layer, where T_p is the depth of maximum concentration of an impurity introduced for forming said source/drain region. [Claim 3] An MIS-type field-effect transistor characterized in comprising:

- a base layer;
- a strained active semiconductor layer formed on said base 15 layer;
 - a gate insulating film formed on said active semiconductor layer;
 - a gate electrode formed on said gate insulating layer; and
- a built-up layer provided with a source/drain region and formed on said active semiconductor layer on both sides of said gate electrode; wherein

said built-up layer has a film thickness of $3T_p$ or greater, where T_p is the depth of maximum concentration of an impurity introduced for forming said source/drain region. [Claim 4] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to claim 3, characterized in that the film thickness of said built-up layer is $5T_p$.

[Claim 5] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 4, characterized in that said base layer is a semiconductor layer having the composition $\mathrm{Si}_{1-x-y}\mathrm{Ge}_x\mathrm{C}_y \text{ (wherein } 0 \leq x \leq 1, \ 0 \leq y \leq 1, \ \mathrm{and} \ 0 < x + y \leq 1).$

5 [Claim 6] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 4, characterized in that said base layer is an Si layer.

[Claim 7] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 6, characterized in that said base layer is a semiconductor layer, and an insulator layer is

formed underneath said base layer.

[Claim 8] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 4, characterized in that said base layer is an insulator layer.

15 [Claim 9] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 8, characterized in that said active semiconductor layer is a group IV semiconductor layer.

[Claim 10] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 5, 7, and 8, characterized in that said active semiconductor layer is an Si layer.

[Claim 11] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 8, characterized in that said active semiconductor layer is a semiconductor layer having the composition $Si_{1-x-y}Ge_xC_y$ (wherein $0 \le x \le 1$, $0 \le y \le 1$, and 0 < x

25 + $y \le 1$).

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[Claim 12] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to claim 11, characterized in comprising an Si layer with a film thickness of 10 nm or less between said active semiconductor

layer and said gate insulating film.

[Claim 13] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 12, characterized having a gate length of 0.4 μm or less.

5 [Claim 14] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 13, characterized in that said source/drain region is formed by an ion implantation method. [Claim 15] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 13, characterized in that said 10 source/drain region is formed by a plasma doping method. [Claim 16] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to any of claims 1 through 13, characterized in that said source/drain region is formed by a gas-phase doping method. [Claim 17] The MIS-type field-effect transistor according to 15 any of claims 1 through 16, characterized in that a portion of said source/drain region near the gate electrode is a region of low impurity concentration.